

28<sup>th</sup> December, 2023

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Chief Engineer,  
Punjab Buildings Department (Central Zone),  
Lahore.

**Subject: Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Superintending Engineer, Buildings Circle No. 1, Faisalabad, Executive Engineer, Buildings Division, Chiniot's Tender Notice for Balance Work of DHQ Hospital Chiniot.**

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to your tender notice appeared in daily 'Khabrain' newspaper on 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2023. The said advertisement is in violation of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Rule 25(7) 'Bidding documents'.

In the tender notice the fee for purchasing bidding document for works are given Rs 20,000/-, which is relatively a high amount. However as per Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Rule No. 25(7), procuring agency shall provide a set of bidding documents to any supplier or contractor, on request and subject to payment of price, which means the cost of printing only. Hence, it is a violation Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Rule No 25(7).

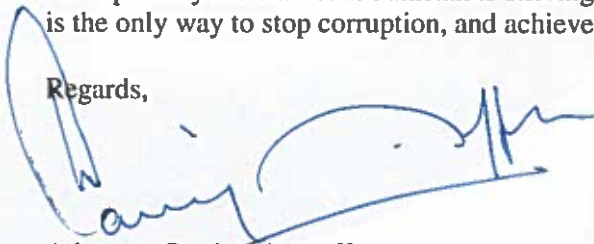
The Rule is quoted below for your reference;

*25. Bidding documents.– (7) The procuring agency shall, on payment of such fee as the procuring agency may determine keeping in view the cost of printing and provision of the documents, provide a set of bidding documents to the prospective bidders.*

Chief Engineer, Punjab Buildings Department (North Zone), is requested to issue directives to Superintending Engineer Buildings Circle No. 1, Faisalabad, and Executive Engineer Buildings Division, Chiniot to rectify the violation and issue corrigendum in accordance with Punjab Procurement Rules 2014 to avoid mis-procurement under Rule 69.

Transparency International Pakistan is striving for across the board application of Rule of Law, which is the only way to stop corruption, and achieve against Zero tolerance against corruption.

Regards,



Advocate Daniyal Muzaffar,  
Trustee/Legal Advisor  
Transparency International Pakistan

Copies forwarded for the information with request to take action under their mandate to:

1. Caretaker Chief Minister, Government of Punjab, Lahore.
2. Chief Secretary, Government of Punjab, Lahore.
3. Chairman, Prime Minister Inspection Commission, PMIC, Islamabad.
4. Managing Director, Punjab Procurement Regulatory Authority, Lahore.



**Note:**

This is to clarify that Transparency International Pakistan is not a complainant, it acts as a whistleblower and operate under Article 19-A, of the Constitution of Pakistan which gives the right to public to know how government is being run by public officers. Article 19-A makes the right to access of information pertaining to a public authority a fundamental right, and a three member bench in case of Mukhtar Ahmad Ali vs the Registrar, Supreme Court of Pakistan, Islamabad, headed by Chief Justice Qazi Faez Isa in the landmark judgment on 16 October 2023, in CP No. 3532/2023, has declared that

“What previously may have been on a need-to-know basis Article 19A of the Constitution has transformed it to a right-to-know, and the Access to information is no longer a discretion granted through occasional benevolence, but is now a fundamental right available with every Pakistani which right may be invoked under Article 19A of the Constitution”

## TENDER NOTICE

Sealed tenders based on item rates are hereby invited for the works mentioned below from the contractor/firms registered with Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC) for the current financial year 2023-24 in the relevant category C-3 or above in accordance with PPRA Rules 2014 (with upto date amendments).

Tender documents can be obtained, from any of the below mentioned offices, upon written CE 10, Identity Card of contractor/ managing partners/director of the firm along with registered power of attorney and on payment of prescribed tender fee in the form of CDR of any scheduled bank in favour of Executive Engineer Buildings Division Chiniot.

Tender documents can be obtained, from the date of publication of invitation of bids in the newspapers from any of the below mentioned offices upon written request.

- (i). Chief Engineer, Punjab Buildings Department (Central Zone) Lahore
- (ii). Commissioner, Faisalabad Division Faisalabad
- (iii). Superintending Engineer Buildings Circle No. 1, Faisalabad
- (iv). Deputy Commissioner, Chiniot
- (v). Executive Engineer Buildings Division Chiniot
- (vi). Assistant Commissioner Concerned.

Tendered rates and amounts shall be filed in figures as well as in words and tender should be signed as per general directions given in the tender documents. No rebate on tendered rates will be acceptable.

Tenders will be received in the offices of Chief Engineer Central Zone, Punjab Buildings Department, Lahore and Commissioner, Faisalabad Division Faisalabad and will be opened simultaneously on fixed date and time by the respective Tenders Opening Committee at the above venues in the presence of intending contractors or their representatives.

Conditional tender and tenders not accompanied with earnest money @ 2% of the estimated cost in shape of CDR of any scheduled bank in favour of Executive Engineer Buildings Division Chiniot and attested copies of registered partnership deed and power of attorney in case of firms will not be entertained.

Any of the total bids can only be rejected on the basis of evaluation criteria. Though,

- (1). The procuring agency may reject all bids or proposals at any time prior to the acceptance of a bid or proposal.
- (2). The procuring agency shall upon request communicate to any bidder, the grounds for rejection of all bids or proposals, but shall not be required to justify these grounds.
- (3). The bidding documents will be issued to the contractor after date of publication as per PPRA Rule 25(1).

**Note:-**

- (i). Last date of application of tender 08.01.2024, issue on 09.01.2024
- (ii). Last date of receipt of tender upto 10.01.2024 at 1:30 P.M & opened at 2:00 P.M.

S#	Name of Work	Estimated Cost 2% Earnest Money	T S No. & Date	Time Period	Tender Fee in shape of CDR
1	Balance Work of DHO Muzaffargarh Circle G II.	Rs.217,549(M) RL-4350975/	CEB (CZ) 1435 C(1) dt.15.12.2023	upto 30.08.2025	20000

**Superintending Engineer      Executive Engineer**  
Buildings Circle No 1, Faisalabad      PL-1100      Buildings Division Chiniot

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